

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Chairwoman Kay Granger
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Rosa L. DeLauro
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Wax Water Treatment Plant and Intake Dredging Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Edmonson County Water District, located at 1128 Hwy 259 North, Brownsville, Kentucky, 42210. The funding would be used to build a new water intake plant on a more stable area of the lake, which will help maintain reliable service to existing customers. Increased capacity is also needed in order to meet the high customer demands due to agricultural production, increased ecotourism, and new home construction. The new and expanded water transmission lines will also allow for increased pumping rates and to furnish the required quantity of water needed to meet the existing, as well as the future, demands in the system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help offset the repayment of loans, allowing customer rates to be kept at an affordable rate. These upgrades will help ensure that the Edmonson County Water District can continue to provide water service and supply clean, safe, and potable drinking water to its customers in Hart, Edmonson, and Grayson County.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brett Guthrie".

Member of Congress